## Dr. Plantz Letter

Dear Ms. Lisa Smith:

We recently attended the national organization of nurse educators. Several nurse educators from your state asked us to determine if they could be included in local workforce grants.

## Background:

All states have a growing awareness that there is a shortage of nurses. Unfortunately, there is also a growing shortage of highly trained nurses in specialty areas of nursing including: Emergency, Critical Care, Progressive Care, Medical-Surgical, and Administrative. Pealrsreview, Inc. is an organization of nurses and physicians that provide lecture and online training in each of these areas. We currently offer the following lecture courses:

Certified Emergency Nurse Review (Emergency Nurses) Critical Care Nurse Review (Critical Care Nurses) Progressive Care Nurse Review (Critical Care and Step-down Unit Nurses) Administrative and Leadership Nurse Review (Nurses Advancing to Administration) Healthcare Legal Review (Nurses and other allied health professionals) BioTerrorism Review (Nurses and other allied health professionals)

## Training:

We currently provide these courses through Workforce Board Grants in Florida, Texas, Louisiana, Pennsylvania, and North Carolina. Grants in these states allow:

Individual hospital or hospitals (as a group of 2 or

more) apply for a local workforce grant for Pearlsreview to put on 5 days of 8-hour courses. Supplemental educational courses are provided online.

Hospitals in the areas pick the courses they feel are most appropriate for their community.

Generally the workforce grants pay for the lecture and books (either per nurse or a flat fee per day)

Hospitals pay for the nurse or allied health professional to have the day off to take the course.

If you are interested in Pearlsreview making our courses available in your state, please contact me.

Thank you,

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